

**EMERGENCY COMMISSION MEETING  
MINUTES  
Monday, June 11, 2001**

A meeting of the Emergency Commission was held on Monday, June 11, 2001, in the Governor's Conference Room. Present in the conference room were Governor John Hoeven and Secretary of State Al Jaeger. Members participating via telephone conference call were Senator David Nething, Representative Wes Belter, and Representative Mike Timm. Governor Hoeven called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

Requests identified with an asterisk will be forwarded for the June 14, 2001, meeting of the Legislative Budget Section Committee per the provisions of N.D.C.C. § 54-16-04.1 and N.D.C.C. § 54-16-04.2.

**1. Department of Agriculture (Request # 1341)**

Withdrew prior to meeting.

**2. University of North Dakota \* (Request # 1342)**

Request for \$12,000,000 in increased spending authority for the 2001-2003 biennium to secure a line of credit from the Bank of North Dakota and to accept resulting loan proceeds for the other funds line (\$12,000,000) to pay expenses related to the 1997 flood disaster as documented by a Damage Survey Report (DSR), approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for enhancements or modifications, and with the line of credit only to be used as needed to pay contractors pending receipt of FEMA and/or insurance carrier reimbursements.

Senator Nething moved for approval. Secretary Jaeger seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**3. Office of Management and Budget (Request # 1343)**

Request for line item transfer of \$161.08 from the Emergency Commission's contingency fund to the OMB administration line (\$161.08) to reimburse applicable counties for the expense of the legislative election recount conducted in legislative district # 6 after the November 2000 elections and as required according to the provisions of N.D.C.C. § 16.1-16-01(9).

Secretary Jaeger moved for approval. Senator Nething seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**4. Children's Service Coordinating Committee (CSCC) \* (Request # 1344)**

Request for \$750,000 in increased spending authority to accept pass-through funds from the Department of Human Services for grant line (\$750,000) to provide assistance to regional and tribal Children's Services Coordinating Committees.

Rep. Belter moved for approval. Rep. Timm seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**5. Department of Human Services \* (Request # 1345)**

Request approval for increased spending authority of \$3,806,147 to accept federal funds in subdivision 2, Economic Assistance, Energy and Nutrition – Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, grants, benefits and claims line (\$3,806,147) to provide assistance to qualified households experiencing increased heating costs.

Secretary Jaeger moved for approval. Senator Nething seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**6. Department of Human Services \* (Request # 1346)**

Request approval for increased spending authority of \$2,125,000 to accept federal funds in subdivision 2, Program and Policy, grants line, to reimburse counties for increased administrative costs (\$1,600,000) and for a pass-through to the Children's Service Coordinating Committee (\$525,000) for expenses related to increased case management activity involving CSCC projects.

Rep. Belter moved for approval. Secretary Jaeger seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**7. Department of Human Services \* (Request # 1347)**

Request for line item transfer of \$250,000 from subdivision 4, Field Services, State Hospital, HSC/Institution line to subdivision 2 – Economic Assistance, Medical Services Division, grants, benefits and claims line (\$250,000) to cover unforeseen Medicaid required expenditures, with the balance of any unneeded funds to be turned back to the state's general fund at the end of the biennium.

Senator Nething moved for approval. Rep. Belter seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**8. Office of the Adjutant General \* (Request # 1348)**

Request for increased spending authority of \$100,000 to accept federal pass-through funds from the Division of Emergency Management for capital improvements line (\$100,000) to complete addition to the Fraine Barracks Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

Senator Nething moved for approval. Secretary Jaeger seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**9. Bismarck State College \* (Request # 1349)**

Request approval for increased spending authority of \$75,000 to use revenue from other funds (tuition) for operating line (\$75,000) to cover larger than anticipated costs for natural gas.

Secretary Jaeger moved for approval. Rep. Belter seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**10. Information Technology Department \* (Request # 1350)**

Request approval for increased spending authority of \$3,500,000 to utilize greater than anticipated revenue from agencies for information resource management line (\$3,500,000) to allow payment for various services contracted during the biennium by ITD, on behalf of agencies, with outside vendors for software development, consulting services, and related technology.

Senator Nething moved for approval. Secretary Jaeger seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**11. Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation – Prisons Division \* (Request # 1351)**

Request for line item transfer of \$150,000 from the program services line and \$500,000 from the security and safety line to the support services line (\$650,000) to cover deficiency expenditures related to medical services provided for inmates.

Senator Nething moved for approval. Rep. Timm seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**12. Division of Emergency Management \* (Request # 1352)**

Request for increased spending authority for the 2001-2003 biennium of \$14,841,660 to accept federal funds (\$13,071,870) and Bank of North Dakota loan proceeds (\$1,769,790) (borrowed in accordance with the provisions of N.D.C.C. § 37-17.1-23 with a resulting deficiency appropriation request to be made to the 58th Legislative Assembly) for grants (\$14,662,500), salaries (\$136,800), operating (\$27,360), and equipment (\$15,000) to administer the Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation Grant Programs authorized by recent Presidential Disaster Declaration related to flooding.

Senator Nething moved for approval. Rep. Belter seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**13. Division of Emergency Management \* (Request # 1353)**

Request for increased spending authority for the 2001-2003 biennium of \$868,216 to accept federal funds (\$766,759) and Bank of North Dakota loan proceeds (\$101,457) (borrowed in accordance with the provisions of N.D.C.C. § 37-17.1-23 with a resulting deficiency appropriation request to be made to the 58th Legislative Assembly) for grants (\$846,246), salaries (\$6,850), operating (\$9,920), and equipment (\$5,200) to administer the Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation Grant programs authorized by recent Presidential Disaster Declaration related to damage to rural electric infrastructures caused by tornadoes and severe winter weather

Senator Nething moved for approval. Secretary Jaeger seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**14. Indian Affairs Commission (Request # 1354)**

Withdrew prior to the meeting.

**15. Department of Agriculture (Request # 1355)**

Withdrew prior to the meeting.

**16. Department of Agriculture \* (Request # 1356)**

Request for increased spending authority for the 2001-2003 biennium of \$393,000 to accept federal funds from the Environmental Protection Agency 319 Non-point Pollution Prevention program operating (\$393,000) to accelerate the completion of digitized soil maps used to assess potential groundwater contamination from agricultural pesticide uses.

Senator Nething moved for approval. Secretary Jaeger seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**17. Industrial Commission (Request # 1357)**

Withdrew prior to meeting.

**18. North Dakota State University \* (Request # 1358)**

Request for \$12,500,000 in increased spending authority for the 2001-2003 biennium to secure a line of credit from the Bank of North Dakota and to accept resulting loan proceeds for the other funds line (\$12,500,000) to pay expenses related to the 2000 flood disaster as documented by a Damage Survey Report (DSR), approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for enhancements or modifications, and with the line of credit only to be used as needed to pay contractors pending receipt of FEMA and/or insurance carrier reimbursements.

Rep. Timm moved for approval. Rep. Belter seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alvin A. Jaeger  
Secretary of State  
Secretary to Emergency Commission